

**UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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For : **METHOD AND COMPOSITION FOR  
PREVENTING TOOTH  
HYPERSENSATIVITY WHEN USING  
PASSIVE BLEACHING AGENTS**

Art Unit : 1614

**AFFIDAVIT OF ALEX HODOSH**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.608(b)**

I, Alex Hodosh, declare as follows:

1. I am a doctor of dentistry with over ten years experience in the dentistry field and have extensive experience conducting dental bleaching treatments and other dental treatments which may cause hypersensitivity to the patient.

2. On a date prior to May 30, 1997 I witnessed a test conducted by Milton Hodosh. My signature bearing witness to the test appears at the bottom of Milton Hodosh's research notes, copy of which are attached hereto as Exhibit 1.

3. In the test Milton Hodosh combined  $\text{KNO}_3$  with a bleaching compound available under the brand name "Karisma". The object of the test was to obtain a dental bleaching composition which prevented hypersensitivity.

4. The bleaching compound "Karisma" is manufactured by Confidential-Products Co. located at 385 S. Pierce Ave., Colorado Tech Center, Louisville, CO, 80027-3017. On information and belief "Karisma" contains carbamide peroxide as the active bleaching agent and a sticky matrix material that includes carboxypolymethylene.

5. The dental composition was administered to at least nine patients utilizing a dental tray which was adapted to hold the dental composition adjacent a person's tooth surfaces.

6. In each of the nine patients the dental bleaching composition effectively whitened patient's teeth and no hypersensitivity was reported.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code.

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Alex Hodosh